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## Local Matters.

### The Coming Fair.

The executive committee of the Aquidneck Fair Association held an adjourned meeting at the State House Wednesday evening when about forty ladies and twenty gentlemen were present, notwithstanding the inclement weather. Hon. R. S. Franklin presided with Mr. John P. Sanborn as secretary. On motion of Mr. Thomas Burlingham it was voted to open the fair each afternoon at 4 o'clock and close at 11, except Wednesday, and on that day to open at 12 o'clock noon. On motion of Mr. Geo. P. Lawton the general superintendent was authorized to procure a new upright piano for a grand prize. Hon. Robert S. Franklin and Senator Sanborn were chosen a committee to extend to His Excellency, Governor Wetmore, an invitation to be present and open the fair on Monday, Feb. 16. Mr. John Black was chosen superintendent of the soda fountain and smoking room.

On motion of Mr. Burlingham Mr. Elijah Anthony was authorized to solicit subscriptions from the Society's friends in Jamestown, and to arrange for special trips of the ferry boat, plying between here and Jamestown, during certain nights of the fair. Eighteen of the ladies present subscribed to five season tickets each to dispose of among their friends. The meeting adjourned to Friday evening, Feb. 5.

Following is a list of the donations thus far received:  
Governor George Peabody Wetmore, \$200; William O. Greene, \$10 worth of goods; John Black, \$10 do. do.; John J. Carry, \$10 do. do.; A. L. Burdick, \$10 do. do.; A. C. Landers, \$10 do. do.; R. W. Franklin, bread and rolls; Simon Davis, 1 barrel oyster crackers; A Friend \$10 worth of goods; A. A. Brown, 1 water spout; Augustus Wilbur, two Guinea hens; Henry Bull, Jr., 75 lbs. coffee; George A. Weaver, 3 ton fertilizer; Chas. Vagt & Co., New York, china tea set; Newport One Price Clothing Co., 1 fine suit clothes for most popular item in fire department; G. Munford Hazard, 2 rump corned beef; Mrs. A. W. Hill, 1 large frosted fruit cake to be sold on shares; W. Howard Greene, 2 coops bantams; Mrs. W. L. Anderson, 1 cake; Mrs. Albert J. Easton, 1 worsted shoulder cape, 1 cake; E. B. Ayler, 1 pair fowls; Mrs. E. B. Ayler, pies; Mrs. Van Alstyne, 1 cake; Mrs. M. Hazard, 1 cake; Davis & Pittman, 12 subscriptions to Newport Journal for one year; Mrs. R. P. Barker, 1 cake, pies, tidies; Mrs. Chas. Peckham, cake, pies, butter; Mrs. Elizabeth Black, 12 fancy baskets; Mrs. Daniel C. Smith, cake; Mrs. Thomas Peckham, cake; Mrs. Reston Peckham, cake, pies; Mrs. J. R. Peckham, cake; Mrs. John J. Carry, 1 cake.

Mr. Frederick W. Vanderbilt is to rent a villa at Ochre Point, Newport. The place will doubtless be known forthwith as Luere Point.—(Boston Record.)

A committee of the Jamestown and Newport Steam Ferry Company went to New York Thursday night on business regarding the proposed new ferry boat.

Mr. Thomas Stevens, who has been dangerously sick for several weeks, is slowly improving and it is thought, will recover.

Mr. Thomas D. Stoddard has so far improved as to be able to ride to his business. He is still obliged to use crutches however.

The Aquidneck Fair Association has received a check for \$200 from Governor Wetmore.

Mr. William DeBilis is confined to his home on Prospect Hill street by serious illness.

Ex-Senator Seabury has gone to Washington on a few weeks' vacation.

Capt. Obed King is seriously ill at his residence.

### Newport Marriage Record for 1885.

According to the records at the City Hall two hundred and ninety persons were united in marriage in Newport during the year ending December 31, 1885, of whom 170 were born in America; 56, in Ireland; 12, in Sweden; 10, in England; 7, in Scotland; 5, in Germany; 4, in the Western Islands; 3, in Portugal; 2, in France; 2, in Nova Scotia, and one each in Austria, Wales, Poland, Ontario, and the Ottoman Empire. Eighteen were colored and 3 were mulattoes. To twenty-four of the grooms and eleven of the brides it was a second marriage and to one of the brides a third. The ceremony for these one hundred and forty-five marriages were performed by the various clergymen as follows: Rev. Father Coyle, of St. Joseph's (R. C.) church 10; Rev. Father T. F. Doran, of St. Mary's (R. C.) church 17; Rev. E. E. Clark, of the Thames street R. C. church 12; Rev. R. B. Post, of Emmanuel Episcopal church 12; Rev. F. F. Emerson, United Congregational church 11; Rev. Joseph Hollingshead, First M. E. church 10; Rev. G. J. Magill, Trinity Episcopal church 8; Rev. Father W. J. Simmons, St. Mary's (R. C.) church 8; Rev. Warren Randolph, D. D., Central Baptist church 7; Rev. Philip Grace, D. D., St. Mary's (R. C.) church 7; Rev. Frank Reuter, Second Baptist church 5; Rev. F. W. Ryder, First Baptist church 4; Rev. Mahlon Van Horn, Union Congregational church 4; Rev. Carlos Banning, 4; Rev. F. J. Cooper, Tenth Chapel, 4; Rev. C. W. Wendt, Channing Memorial (Unitarian) church, 2; Rev. S. Wilson Moran, St. John's Episcopal church 2; Rev. Thatcher Thayer, D. D., 2; Rev. Thos. M. Clarke, D. D., bishop of the diocese, 2; Rev. H. N. Jeter, Shiloh Baptist church, 1; Rev. Chas. G. Gilliat, D. D., St. George's Episcopal church 1; Rev. Father W. J. Scanlon, St. Mary's (R. C.) church 1; Rev. Samuel I. Carr, 1, and Rev. Aug. Woodbury of Providence, 1.

### Miss Sallie E. Spencer.

Miss Sallie E., eldest daughter of Thomas A. and Sarah E. Spencer, died on Monday after a painful illness from typhoid fever, in the 18th year of her age. She was an exceedingly bright and active young lady and her happy disposition had won for her a large circle of friends. Her funeral was solemnized on Thursday afternoon from St. George's chapel and was attended by a large number of relatives and friends. At the time of her death she was a member of St. George's choir, being its leading soprano singer, and they attended the funeral as mourners. The floral offerings were numerous and elegant. Among the more handsome pieces were noticed: "Our Little Helper," from the Newport Artillery Company, a harp with strings of violets, from the choir, a wreath from Charles E. Lawton Post, G. A. R., and one from the Central Baptist church choir and music committee. Rev. Dr. Gilliat officiated and excellent music was rendered by a select choir consisting of Miss Alice Coggeshall, Miss Annie Groff, Mr. A. C. Tilley and Mr. Galen Davis.

### A man named Hugh Thursley was removed from the steamer Bristol, on her arrival from Fall River Saturday night, in a state of unconsciousness and taken to the Newport Hospital by officer King of the police force. He lived but a few moments after reaching the hospital and Monday night his remains were forwarded to his sister in Brooklyn. The man was a total stranger here and from his effects it was at first supposed his name was Peter Garvin of St. John, N. B.

### Mr. Crandall's Funeral.

The funeral of the late William E. Crandall was solemnized from his late residence on Poplar street Monday afternoon and was largely attended. Rev. John W. Day pastor of Channing Memorial church officiated at the house after which the services were conducted by Rhode Island Lodge No. 12, I. O. O. F., of which Mr. Crandall was a honored member for upwards of forty years. The bearers, all past masters of the lodge, were J. G. Springer, John T. Dolano, James E. Weaver, John D. Pike, John B. Mason and Augustus Goffe.

### In the Mercury Window.

A pair of Pottens worn in the olden time by the English during wet weather. They are said to be 100 years old.

The Scientific American of January 23d issue, publishes an illustrated description of a fastening for tie packages which has been patented by Mr. Michael McCarty of this city.

An unusually large number of deaths have occurred in Newport this week, there being no less than six persons now lying dead awaiting the last sad rites.

Schoolship New Hampshire, which was dislodged by the severe blow on the 9th inst., has been hauled into place and securely anchored.

Thomas N. Brown has rented his cottage on Ayrault street to A. O'D. Taylor for three years.

### Canine Jealousy.

The Newport Correspondent of the Providence Star says: "A remarkable case of jealousy on the part of a canine transpired in this city recently. Some months since a dog owned by a gentleman on the hill, conceived a strong attachment to Mr. John Gilpin, the journalist, of this city, often following him wherever he went. At length, Mr. Gilpin procured a dog of his own, and almost immediately afterwards the other dog's attachment changed to hate. He would not allow Mr. Gilpin to approach him, and it was necessary to hold the dog when he went in where he was to prevent his attacking him. At length Mr. Gilpin's dog died, and soon after the dog's demeanor towards him changed, and all his old attachment was manifested again."

### Capt. Schneider's Appointments.

At the annual meeting of Co. H, 2nd Bat., R. I. M. (Newport Light Infantry) the following non-commissioned officers were announced by Capt. Schneider:

First Sergeant—John B. Barker. Second Sergeant—Robert F. Matthews. Third Sergeant—Arthur E. Barker. Fourth Sergeant—Thomas Reynolds. Fifth Sergeant—William G. Barker. First Corporal—Clarence Wood. Second Corporal—Julius P. Leonard. Third Corporal—Emerson Detholt. Fourth Corporal—John E. Ross. Fifth Corporal—Marvin Brown. Sixth Corporal—Elihu Wood. Armorer Corporal—Clarence Wood.

Mrs. Abbott Lawrence died at her residence on Mill street yesterday morning from apoplexy. Mrs. Lawrence was the widow of a prominent Boston merchant and sister of Mrs. J. W. Paul of Philadelphia a well-known Newport summer resident. Her niece, Mrs. W. W. Astor, and Mr. Astor came from New York Wednesday and remained with her till the end. The remains will be taken to Boston on Tuesday for interment in Mt. Auburn cemetery.

Mr. William J. Miller a prominent citizen of Bristol died yesterday after a short illness. He was formerly publisher of the Providence Daily Post, and at the time of his death he was superintendent of the Bristol Gas Co. of which ex-Mayor Franklin of Newport is President. He was a prominent member of the Democratic party of this State and was for many years their candidate for the general treasuryship.

Mrs. Job A. Peckham died very unexpectedly yesterday morning after a brief but painful illness resulting from a fall. Mrs. Peckham was a most estimable lady and will be sincerely mourned by a large circle of friends. She was a daughter of the late Samuel Wescott. Her mother survives her, and she leaves a family of five children, four sons and a daughter.

At the annual meeting of the Sophia Little Home and Prisoners' Aid Association in Providence Wednesday, Mrs. Sophia L. Little was re-elected honorary president; Mrs. Francis W. Goddard, president; Mrs. Florence K. Howland, one of the vice presidents; Mrs. Governor Wetmore, a member of the visiting committee, and Governor Wetmore a member of the auditing committee.

The recently elected officers of Union Lodge No. 688, K. of H., were duly installed Tuesday evening by D. D. G. I. John S. Kellogg. Among the guests were Grand Dictator Wm. T. Huntington, V. G. D. James D. Carpenter, A. G. D. Louis K. Seagrave, P. G. D. Wm. P. Denman and G. R. Oscar A. Carlton.

As Mr. Herman Muenchinger was driving through Beach street Thursday evening between 6 and 7 o'clock his horse became unmanageable and ran away. Mr. Muenchinger was thrown from the team and striking on his head received serious injuries.

Miss Mary Ann Swan, sister of Mr. James C. Swan, and aunt of Mr. Job A. Peckham, the death of whose wife occurred yesterday morning, died on Thursday at the advanced age of 81 years.

Mr. William J. Danielson, a brother of the late Geo. W. Danielson, formerly editor of the Providence Journal, has established a Newspaper Advertising and Subscription Agency at No. 82 Westminster Street, Providence.

### Literary Note.

The "Rainbow Series" of new and original novels, by popular American and foreign authors, is announced by Cassell & Company. These volumes are well printed, and bound in rainbow-hued paper—hence the name—and sold for twenty-five cents. The initial volumes are "A Crimson Stain," by Annie Bradshaw, and "Morgan's Horror," by Geo. Manville Fenn. These stories are not of the penny-dreadful order, though they are sensational, if by sensational is meant strong plot, vivid description and dramatic situation. Mr. Fenn is an old favorite, but Annie Bradshaw is a new writer to the most of us. The story "A Crimson Stain" has for its villain a revengeful Spaniard, and for its hero a plucky English woman. Other volumes in the "Rainbow Series" will follow at short intervals.

### Society Notes.

Mr. C. N. Bench of Hartford, whose Newport cottage is on Kay and Ayrault Streets, sailed for Europe Wednesday to join his wife. They went abroad a couple of months ago, but he was obliged to return immediately on business.

Mrs. Pittman (Margery Deane) will give a tea at the Vendome this afternoon.

Mrs. Nathaniel Thayer has taken possession of her handsome new house on Commonwealth avenue, Boston.

On Thursday evening there was a brilliant party of young people at the Country Club in Boston, patronized by Mrs. T. F. Cushing and other society leaders.

Mr. Nathaniel Thayer goes the last of February on a cruise in his newly purchased yacht the Albatross. He will go on board at Charleston, S. C., where the yacht is now at anchor.

"Progressive luncheon," which are the rage in Philadelphia, are coming this way. Four people sit at each table, and at the end of each course change positions, in the manner of progressive euchre.

The society engagement has been announced in New York of Miss Emily Post, daughter of Mr. Edwin Post and granddaughter of the late Morgan (Gibbs), to Mr. George Griswold of the well known family of that name.

### Death of Mr. Gilman.

Edward W. Gilman died at his residence on West Broadway Thursday night after a painful illness of several months' duration. He was a native of New Hampshire, but for many years has carried on the painting business on Long Wharf in this city. At the time of his death he was a member of the Royal Arcanum, Legion of Honor, Northern Mutual Relief and Golden Cross benevolent societies from which his family will receive a total of \$12,000. The funeral will be solemnized tomorrow (Sunday) at 1 o'clock P. M. at the house, and on Monday the remains will be taken to New Bedford for burial.

### Changeable Weather.

Sovereign and sudden changes have long been considered characteristics of a Newport winter, and according to present indications this season is to be no exception. Within the past two weeks we have had days and nights with the thermometer several degrees below zero and days and nights with it several degrees above the freezing point. Blizzards, followed by sleighing, skating and a real old-fashioned January thaw, with the usual accompaniment of slush and flooded streets, have been here within that time and hundreds of men then engaged in cutting handsome ten and twelve inch ice are now anxiously waiting for a freeze.

### Election of Officers.

St. Paul's Lodge A. F. & A. M. held its annual election Monday evening and chose the following officers: Worshipful Master—Jern W. Horton. Senior Warden—Thomas C. Sherman. Junior Warden—George E. Vernon, Jr. Treasurer—Wm. George F. Crandall. Secretary—Charles B. Marsh. Chaplain—Charles C. Denham. Senior Steward—George A. Littlefield. Junior Steward—William J. Easton. Junior Steward—John F. Tins. Marshal—W. J. Cuzzens. Sentinel—Thomas C. Sherman. Musical Director—William C. Stoddard. Tyler—George H. Lovejoy. Finance Committee—John D. Richardson, John Rogers. Trustees—John P. Sanborn, L. R. Blackman, Arthur L. Smith, Jr., and Wm. H. Carter. Relief Committee—W. J. Cuzzens.

The officers were installed by R. W. Stillman White, of Providence, District Deputy Grand Master of this district, and he was assisted by W. P. Parlon Wilbur, of St. John's Lodge, Providence, W. John McKnight, of Mount Vernon Lodge, Providence, and by R. W. William H. Cotton, of this city.

### Real Estate Sales.

Wm. E. Bailey, executor on the estate of the late Joseph L. Bailey, has sold 5000 square feet of land on Rhode Island avenue to Emily Carry for \$1875.

Lewis B. Caswell has sold the estate fifty feet on Third street to D. E. Young for \$1, etc.

In the Senate Thursday the petition of William B. M. Chase of Tiverton, was presented for the validation of his acts as notary public. In the House Mr. Sheffield presented petitions of Thomas B. Nichols and Thomas Perry, trustees, to sell certain real estate in Newport, also the petition of Catherine B. Judson for change of name for herself and two children.

Notwithstanding the very bad weather on Thursday some twenty-five Newport teachers went to Providence to attend the annual meeting of the Rhode Island Institute of Instruction. Prof. Thompson of the Rogers High School read a paper Thursday on Laboratory Practice, and last evening Mayor Powell and Superintendent of the schools Littlefield were to make addresses.

A large number of petitions for a constitutional convention have been presented in the house of Representatives.

### Newport in 1774.

(Continued.)  
Newport (Mercury) of Dec. 12th, 1774. London Oct. 5th 1774. By authentic letters received by the Scarborough arm of war, in the month of December, 1774, it is brought that the Massachusetts Province was in a very disordered and tumultuous state, more so than any I have ever known, according to the late Acts of Parliament respecting that province.

The latest private letters and News Papers received are to the 20th of September, which is the season for the annual muster of the militia of that country. Whether the General, from some cause, has been prevented, or from the jealous fears a natural one in his dangerous situation, was apprehensive of their doing something more than going through their common exercise, is uncertain, but he thought proper to demand of Col. Stratton the Provincial ammunition and stores under his care, and to send him to the General, who then sent two companies of his soldiers up the river by night, and seized a large magazine of powder at the town of Medford, in which there happened to be no powder, as well as provided, to the latter of which, as Capt. Lathrop had a right, upon hearing of the petition with the Thaneham Spectator to the neighboring towns to the amount of several thousands, in the letters say, assembled at Cambridge, mostly in arms, with a design to march to Boston, where the powder had been stored and stored, to demand the same, and if necessary, to attack the troops; but upon the important solicitations of the principal gentlemen of the city, they were deterred, and then, contented themselves with going to the houses of Mr. Sewall, the Attorney General, Mr. Manton, the Collector of the Customs, Mr. Manton, a commissioner of the Customs, Mr. Governor Oliver, several of the new council, and sundry other crown officers, who they thought had been secretly and surreptitiously to the province; some of these they obliged to resign, and to declare that they would no longer be in the army, and others they forced to leave their families, and to come back to their homes, where they were concealing themselves, from house to house, when these letters came, their own houses being much disturbed by the people, and it is said some pulled down.

Upon opening the courts at that time, the judges, who were present, and the attorneys refused to take the oaths, or to sit at all under the new Judges, and now law. The clerks of the courts have, in the News Papers, declared their refusal to administer the oaths, and to stand forth as the next day, and then were sent to jail, who on their arrival, were by the keeper released, and then they did not consider what they were about, and that if the people should forgive them, they could never forgive themselves.

Out of the 1000 soldiers, only 1000 it had been prevailed with to take the oaths, and of these, five or six had resigned, some voluntarily, and some by force.

What most irritated the people next to seeing their arms and ammunition, was the apprehending six gentlemen, select men of the county, and sending them to the Tower, according to the old custom, though contrary to the new acts of Parliament, in which it is expressly declared that no select men shall be sent to jail, who on their arrival, were by the keeper released, and then they did not consider what they were about, and that if the people should forgive them, they could never forgive themselves.

The report of several towns of gunpowder being stored in the province, and the apprehending of 10,000 men, was a substantial proof that magnitude, as most people think must be first shown up in the neighborhood of St. Paul.

New York, Nov. 24th, 1774. The late Continental Congress at Philadelphia, among other things, resolved to send a committee to the province, to inquire into the conduct of the provincial Assembly, in America, to be by them transmitted to the Congress, and to be published in the News Papers, and to be distributed to the people, and to be read in the churches, and to be read in the schools, and to be read in the families, and to be read in the streets, and to be read in the houses, and to be read in the shops, and to be read in the taverns, and to be read in the inns, and to be read in the public houses, and to be read in the private houses, and to be read in the public places, and to be read in the private places, and to be read in the public streets, and to be read in the private streets, and to be read in the public squares, and to be read in the private squares, and to be read in the public markets, and to be read in the private markets, and to be read in the public fairs, and to be read in the private fairs, 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**A Charcoal Burner.**

A still old man, with grizzled beard,  
Gray eye, bent shape, and smoke-stained frock;  
His quiet footstep is not feared  
By wilder woodland creatures.

He knows the moods of forest things,  
He holds, in his own speechless fashion,  
For helpless forms of fur and wings,  
A mild paternal passion.

Within his busy hand he holds  
The warm brood of the ruddy squirrel:  
Their bushy mother storms and scolds,  
But knows no sense of peril.

The downcast shows his crumb of cheese;  
His homeward trudge the rabbits follow;  
He finds, in the angles of the tree,  
The cup-nest of the swallow.

## ALBERTYNE'S WOOLING

that radiance within a tent at noon in climates where the sun shines fiercely, well suited her style—dark eyes, even brows, white skin, large handsome features. The faults attendant were transient; absence of healthy color harmonized with a translucent glow which admitted no shadow. Albertine had never beheld such a beauty. It dazzled him and he backed without apology,

He found none: the miserable time when they campaigned together; and regretted the miserable time in store for those who had no certain livelihood. All men learn to play a part with skill in the cunning business of diamond traffic. Albertine saw the drift of his plot, and, startled; but Wood's remarks were true; they stirred again the bitterness which he had almost forgotten

He named his terms. Albertyne's objection to the scheme was not fiery, as he had hinted. He had nothing to say but the cash was a bait, and then—Miss Jacobs! At the hour named he was driving that young lady and her father to the Jacobsdahl, while the wagon toll-

tion. Two or three went back, giving imprecations, but a score returned, and at every hour of the day the scene was enlivened by a group of men anxiously to know all over "what he meant by it." All this time the fellow had foreseen, and the foreman also. After struggling until the foreman charged him with flat treachery, he was free. Yates instantly named the captain of the troop, commissioned

at twenty miles up, I believe, her probably the Kaffirs have to meet the Transvaal party. I wished to cross here, why should I use the ford?"

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